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# AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This amendment is in reply to the Office Action mailed on September 26, 2006 in connection with the above-identified application. The time set for filing a response to the Office Action expired on December 26, 2006. Applicants hereby request a two-month extension of time and authorizes the associated fee be charged to Deposit Account No. 11-0171. With the anticipated granting of the request for extension of time, the time for responding to the September 26th Office Action now expires on February 26, 2007. Thus, this amendment is timely filed.

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